BANDITS WHO DIED GAME.

Coolness of a Young Robber from the East for Whom Even His Judges Were Sorry-Last Reception of a Mexican Highwayman-A

Game of Hilliards Refore an Execution. Los Angeries, Cal., July 27 .- A group of whitehaired ranchmen sat chatting and smoking at the Natick House in Los Angeles the other day. bomeboly made a reference to the unusual nerve shows by Theorlere Durrant, the San Francisco murderer, who has been in the shadow of the gallows at the San Quentin State Prison for weeks, and then some reminiscences of the actions of men under sentence of death were related. All the ranchmen came to the Pacific coast by ox teams and wagons across the plains and mountains more than thirty years ago. All have witnessed thrilling scenes on the frontier, and have had strange experiences in raw mining camps and among cowpunchers. Three men in the party have participated in impromptu courts of justice and expeditious executions of outlaws, and one man in the group served as Sheriff in New Mexico about fifteen years ago,

'Now, I don't believe there is any nerve at all in Durrant," said William Tupper, the oldest man in the party. "I hear lots of folks say that the fellow was so cool and calm when he saw the carpenters building his gallows, but they are all wrong. It's only torpid indifference. A man that is shut in prison for more than two years, who is fed on prison fare, and sees fron bare at his little window constantly, and lives among striped convicts and stone walls is a very different sort of person from one who lives in the free air and sunshine out of doors, and is his own boss all the time. Any of us would look at death differently if our mode of life was changed as a convict's is and if all our hopes and plans were slowly and surely rubbed out. If you will stop and think, you'll see that nearly every person you ever knew that was a prisoner for a year or so before the execution was coo and collected when be came to be hanged. It's the fellows who are deprived of liberty, and are taken right out of their daily pursuits, to die the same day or the next, that have claims to

The best displays of nerve and coolness in the face of ignominious death that I have ever known—and I've seen over a dozen men let out to die-were in Benson, Ariz., along in 1878, at about the time the Tombstone mines were being opened up by the Scheffelin crowd. I was running an alfalfa ranch down in Cochise county, near Tueson, then, and making money selling alfalfa hay to the United States troops that were chasing Geronimo and the Apaches over the T-reitory. There were no railrouts in Arizona then and we did all our business by stages. Highway robbers were common. In the spring of 1878 the stages between Yuma and Benson were held up nearly every week by two men who always were masks made from white flour sacking. One week the stage would be held up and the passengers made to give over their purses and watches at the trail through the nestone footbills four miles from Maricopa. The next week that stage would probably be held up and robbed sixty miles away, near Benson. Then there would be a lapse of a month, and people would come to believe that the 'flourmack' robbers, as they came to be known from their peculiar masks, had been frightened and had skinned over the line into Mexico. The first any one would know there would come another report that the Yuma stage was held up hear Compson's ranch on Coyote Creek by the flour-sack robbers. "One day, just at dusk, the flour-sack high-

waymen sprang out from behind a boulder near where Caliente now is. The driver told the rob-

bers to go to some warmer locality when he was ordered to throw off the Wells Furgo box. At that he was shot dead, and he rolled off behind. People in Henson and Tueson were arouse. People in Henson and Tueson were arouse. They trailed the flecing robbers for three weeks, and finally, by bribing a half-bred Plma Indian with a shotgun, six of the posse were led to the hiding place of the hendits in the San Rita Mountains. The robbers were asleen when the hiding place of the hendits in the San Rita Mountains. The robbers were asleen when the hiding place of the cabin, but by youd a few useless shots there was no excisemen, and the two robbers were easily overpowered and Liken captive. The robbers was no excisemen, and the two robbers were easily overpowered and Liken captive. The robbers hid one of the finest furnished camps ever known in the Territory. The robbers hid one of the finest furnished camps ever known in the Territory. The robbers hid one of the finest furnished camps ever known in the Territory. The robbers were easily overpowered and Liken captive. The robbers hid one of the finest furnished camps ever known in the territory. We have been also the sharp time of the finest furnished camps ever known in the first furnished camps ever both young men, and how they ever come to be bandlis is one of the thinrishint hid old-timers were still erruing about when I came away from the Territory, years after. No one ever knew the mon's names, but the local man and the still erruing about when I came away from the Territory, years after. No one ever knew the mon's names, but the local man and the sharp the still erruing about the roll of the same and the hid erruing about the was a good one. He claimed to know P. T. Barnum and his children well. He was a family was a good one. He claimed to know P. T. Barnum and his children well. He was a family was a good one. He claimed to know P. T. Barnum and his children well. He was a family was a good one. He claimed to know the month of the young bandlish for murder and

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"The all at before the execution a dozan of use at the alobe saloon. It was a besulful night. I set near Mann and we talked for bours about astronomy, and what might be possible in future years of investigation of the he wens. Mann was as much absorbed in the astronomy as it he were a loy in college and had years to live yet, instead of about seven or ciphir hours. He had been astronomical subjects, and he told he ignorant ranchang and convovs about him, of how Covernias was the thirt to solve the nonlegence of the work's revolution, and what composed the universe. No lecturer of a storyleder ever was so oney as it, and his analysis in that I know some o his listeners were sorry that the accuration hustiness? You won't have no bound to make a strong the form and in the strong of the work's revolution, and what composed the universe. No lecturer of a storyleder ever was so oney as it, and his manage was operasing that the accuration hustiness? You won't have no losiness? You won't have

dollars each, and the bodies were buried the same day over in the encal plus grove.

Ex-Sheriff Alvin Washburn of Albuquerque, N. M., told the following reminiscence:

"Tye seen five weeked, hardened men shot to death on the plains for crime, and have witnessed the hangings of four of the most reckless, care-devil out laws that we have ever had in the Southwest, but that handli, Tiburcio Vasques, who was hanged in San Jose, in this State, about twenty-two years ago, was head and shoulders above anyone I've ever seed or heard of for true coolness whon his execution was near at hand. Vasquez was a son of a rich and influential Mexican of Vera Cruz. I believe his grandather was a close associate of Gen. Hidalgo, Young Vasquez was a born outlaw. It was in his blood to raise thonder and to risk his life. His field of operations for ten or fifteen years was all the way from Tueson to Stockton, Cal. The Vasquez band was known all over the coast in 1868 and 1870. Part of his game was lynched at Phoenix in 1871, and two of the bandlits then concessed that they had taken the lives of over forty men and boys on the coast and along the Rio Grande that they had taken the lives of over forty men and boys on the coast and along the Rio Grande that they had taken the lives of over forty men and boys on the coast and along the Rio Grande that they had taken the lives of over forty men and boys on the coast and along the Rio Grande that they had taken the lives of over forty men and boys on the coast and along the Rio Grande that they had taken the lives of over forty men and boys on the coast and along the Rio Grande that they had taken the lives of over forty men and boys on the coast and along the Rio Grande that he had the not had been slaughtered by Vasquez and his fellows before they knew the chief bandit. At last Vasquez was caught and believe of the fellow, with snapping black eyes and a smiling, hand sell to meet us. He was a dapper little fellow, with snapping black eyes and a smiling, hands had such a fear. He had jus

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no choice. See I And he shrugged his shoulders and smiled.

"To you feel that you deserve your fate I asked the reporter.

"Well, that does not much matter, he answere, lighting a cigar. 'While I never killed any body myself. I permitted my men to do so, and in the systop the law that is the same thing; so I suppose I deserve what is going to happen. Id serve what is going to happen. Since I cannot help myself I am content. Will you pardon me, gentlemen, if I ask you to talk about senething cise than myself I am glad to see you; I like company. The weather is pleasant, chi "Vasquez commented upon the rose in my but onhot and said it was of a variety he usel to see in Vera Cruz when a boy, and he gave the cerrect English and Mexican ames for it.

"I have alw sys had a fondress for culors and flowers, said he reflectively. Then he laughed and added: But my unruly feet wandered away to wild, restless fields before I was aware of it.

"He rose from his chair and walked about us, all the time chatting and smoking, as one would do who wished to while away dragging hours. He had about fourteen of them left. The man's face w satrong and firm. He we sin the prime of life and perfect health. His courare had been proved in many a bloody fight, and if by muriering all his visitors it would have given him one chance in a thousand of escap, that chonce would have been taken. As it was, he smilled or listly and accepted the inevit be with manly composure. His politeness was extreme. The c'i or of one of the San José mewspapers e. me in, greeting him with a beisterous hilarity, meant at once to cheer the condamned and display to the San Fran isso reporters his intimacy with a celebrated character. The eit or a clustly took a copy of his paper from his pocket, and, with the remark. I suppose you want to hear what I said about you enight, sit down and read to Vasquez three solid columns about his crimes, the preparations for the hanging, and a minute des ription of the galows, with mention of the other reminals who had stepped u

puffed th harder at his cigar, when the editor read of some extra murderous raid Vasquez had been on.

"When the editor had gone away, Vasquez turned so us and said cheerfully:

"I'm sorry, gentlemen, to have my time so engaged, especially when I have so little of it left for anybody or anything."

"Then an under sheriff came in to talk over some detail of the execution on the morrow. Vasquez and the sheriff went to the far end of the stone corridor together. They whispered together, and the sheriff seemed trying to dissuade his charge from some purpose. But Vasquez was resolute, and the officer retired with a deprecatory showing of his palms. Soon there was a tramping of feet—ithout, the key turned, and the iron doors were thrown open. Two men bearing a coffin, and followed by a black-coated undertaker with a pair of treaties in his hands, came in. The coffin, a fine one, studded with silver-headed mails, was placed on the treaties, and the brigand, cigar in teeth, stapped up and inspected it with lively interest. He half squatted and ran his hand along the side.

"It's too short,' he said with surprise, looking at the awed undertaker, who assured him that it was all right; that it should be measured near the top, not near the bottom. Then, pleased at the quality of the coffin which had been provided by his friends, he put his hand inside, felt the padding, pressed the little pillow, and, with an upward filtr of his cigar, observed: 'Well, I shall sleep there very well.'

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"On the next morning Vasquez walked out into the sunlit jail yard, climbed the steps of the scaffori, gazed indifferently at the gaping mob of men below, threw a glance beyond the wall at the blue hills, and then gave all his attention to the business of the moment. They sought to unbutton his coat and coller. He waved them aside politely and did it himself. He assisted the hangman in adjusting the straps and rope, glanced down to see that his feet were precisely on the crack, kissed the cruciffx held out to him by the priest, and bore himself with patience and

aside politely and did it himself. He assisted the hangman in adjusting the straps and rope, glanced down to see that his feet were precisely on the crack, kissed the crucifix held out to him by the priest, and bore himsel, with patience and dignity while they drew over him a white shroud and placed on his head and shoulders a great black hood.

"I am ready, he said, serenely closing his eyes, and that was the last of Vasquez."

Col. Hiram Williams remarked that he believed that a man about to be hanged who could play a skilful game of billiards a few hours before the execution showed the greatest degree of nerve he could think of.

"I saw a fellow once who played filliards for an hour or so the night before he was hanged, and he made some mighty delicate plays, too. It was that man Comstock, who was hanged in San Bernardino either in March, 1873, or 1874. Those were the days of free-andensy executions in California. The gallows was built in an open lot, and every one came from miles around to see the man tropped to his death. Comstock was at emerg, and did freighting for the Bannings from Los Ang irs down across the desert to Yuma. He killed a mining prospector off in the mountains for his gold, and several months later was tried and sentenced to be hanged. My brother was deputy sheriff in the country at the time, and the full was the old brick affair that was torn down six or seven years ago. I went into town with all my ranch hands the evening before the execution, to get a good place from which to view the hanging the next norming. I went over to the i.l., on I street, to see if my brother could fit us out with his desermance in the country would be there the next morning before surpise.

"When I went inside the jail there was the condenned man, Comstook, in the Sheriff's private office, talking whin his lawyer about the disposition of his males and wavered other departs and their have to went in the town with all up to the lawyer in the last thich to the haver have the property. Why have been and several o

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and guarded by a deputy Comstock could be taken over there. I went along. Henry Raymond, a crack billiard player in the neighborhood, way sent for, and be and Comstock tegan a game. The murderer were light steel manacles at his ankles, and be could not possibly have escaped from the billiard room.

"For about an hour and a half the condemned man played billiards. Take about coolness! Why, you'd not believe any man could be so interested in any pleasure or occupation with death at the end of a rope only ten or elsven hours away. Comstock entered into the game leart and soul from the moment he and his partner chalked cues and began banking for places. The only moments when he seemed to lose interest in the playing was occasionally when the clanking manacles at his ankles imposited his stens and he could not take the position he wished to make an expert shot. I believe he and his partner played five games before the Sheriff called a halt. Comstock never seemed to have a thought in the games of the fact that it was his last night of life. One would have thought he had a hig wager on the game. He watched the roll of the balls with as much intentness as if there were heavy odds on the game, he was even and he planned it, and he made one or two massé shots that only clever players could make even when cool. Between the games he joked Raymond about the times, a year before, when they used to play now for the cigars on Alameda street, in Los Anceles. I saw that he noticed how we were all too nervous to laugh at the funny stories he told. Raymond, naturally, could not play a skillul same knowing that his partner would be mere clay before another noon. Once Comstock seel time!

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"My heaven, Hank, how clumsy you are tonight. I guess you ain't playing billiards much nowadays. You shouldn't let them talenis go to waste like that.

"At about 0 o'clock the Sheriff said the playing much cease, and that he would probably be blamed for allowing his prisoner so much liberty. Comstock shook several of us from outside the jail by the hand, and remark d that he was glad we had all met there as we did.

"Walter and I have some hitching-up business to-morrow morning, said Comstock to meas the hadouffs were snapped over his wrists by a deputy. I rather guess you'll be around to see how we do it.

"The last I saw of Comstock was the next day at 10 o'clock. There were thousands of people there to see the hanging. Comstock looked somewhat pile when he was led up the long gallows steps, but it was due only to the presence of the sea of faces staring at him, not to his approaching death. He threw away his citer stub, shook hands with the priest and the Sheriff, and said in a clear voice:

"Walt, I'm ready.

"Then I heard the trap in the gallows slam, and soon Comstock was dead."

MAGNATE VON DER HORST TALKS. Says Baltimore Will Win the Flag-Pittsburg's Offer to Manager Hanlon.

H. R. Von der Horst, owner an! Treasurer of the Baltimore B seball Club, was in town on Wednesday on the way to Saratoga with his family. As usual, he was only too eager to discuss the League pennant race, and expressed confidence in his team's ability to win the fing for the fourth successive year.

"We have not been complaining of hard luck, but it is a fact that our players have suffered more from injuries than those of any other team." said the magnate to THE SUN man. That collision between Capt. Robinson and McPhee in Cincinnati last May was very costly for both teams, as neither man has been able to play since. Robinson, however, will resume work behind the bat this week, and he will add untold strength to the effectiveness of our pitchers. Bill Clarke, our other catcher, was out of the game a long time, owing to a broken finger, and the team had to get along with only one backstop, Bowerman, who had had no experience. Nops, our left-

with only one backstop. Rowerman, who had had no experience. Nops, our left-handed pitcher, is on the sick list now, which is a handicap. Doyle has been hurt on several occasions, the last time by bring struck in the eye by a ground ball at the Polo Grounds. Jennings, too, was out of the game because he was hit on the head by a Rusie curve, and now he is laid up with a lame hand. McGraw could not play early in the se ison because of a wrenched leg, and Joe Quinn is at present in the hospital recovering from blood poisoning. Billy Keeler had a bad attack of 'charley horse' not long ago, and Stenzel had to lay off because of some injury.

"But in the face of all these things, Handon has kept the champions pegging away, so that they are in second place only a few points behind the Bostons, And let me say that we will beat out Selec's men sure. They have one advantage, though, which is a handicap to other teams visiting the Hub. Their grounds are narrow, and the left-field fence is so close that, by constant and deliberate practice, the Bostons have learned to hit balls over that fence for home runs. They have won many games in this way, and are mractically invincible at home. But when they come to B ditimore they will receive a setback, and I believe we will surpr se them on their own grounds too.

"The New Yorks are playing very good ball and I look to see them beat out Cincinnati for third place. They will also give the Bostons several tumbles, which will help us, but I do not believe they can get into the Temple Cup series, much as we should like to have them. That series, to my mind, will be between the Bostons and Baltimores.

"Just a word about my manager. Ed Hanlon, He has been criticlesed for several deals, and unjustly, too. He released McMahon, Hemming, and Esper, the pitchers, and was scored for blundering. Where are these players now! He traded off Brodie and Donnelly for Stenzel and O'Brien. Pittsburg to the words the hallons offer to Han on. It was double the amount Ed is getting from the Baltimore C

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS. Talk of a Greater New York League for All

the Schools. If indications can be relied upon there will he great change in interscholastic athletics the coming season. There is a movement on foot to bring the local, Brooklyn, and New Jersey school; into one organization and name it the Greater New York Interscholastic Athletic League. This scheme was much favored last reason by the Long Island boys, but as it was too near the close of the school year not hing of any importance was done in the matter. Another thing likely to cause considerable discussion is the changing of the age limit from 20 to 21 years, so as to give a show to out-of-town schools, whose age limit is 21 years, to enter their athletes in open scholastic games promoted by local schools. The age limit of the

their athletes in open scholastic games promoted by local schools. The age limit of the Long Land, New Jersey, and New England Leagues is 21 years as is the National Interscholastic Association. The popular feeling is that the change should be made. In regard to the three schools suspended by the New York Association last senson for non-payment of fines and forfelts, another wrangle is expected. The principal of one of the schools has asked permission to be present at the first meeting, and his argument is awaited with keen interest by the delegates.

Considerable talk is going on among the students as to what school with have the strongest football team next sea on. With the exception of one or two institutions all will be handicapped by having to develop new material. The knowing ones say that Trinity will win the champdonship. This is based on the showing the school made has teaton. Errkeley will feel the loss of such cracks as Bien, Pell, Hasbrouck, Wiley, and others. The outlook, as assummed up by one of the school students who will be back this year, is not at all bright. In attletice Heracley will also be empired, as the achool will lose Wennan and Glison.

The faculty of he La Salle Institute has secured the grounds at Hunt's Point and it is being placed in first-class condition for feetball practice. The same team that won the championship, with the exception of Capt. Tilford, will be back, and early training will be indiged in. The institute will have a representative present at the first meeting of the association, who will vote against the backland schedule being arranged in sections. In speaking of the coming season one of the students at the Institute will:

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"The season is not far off and the opening is awaited with interest. I hope that the football series will be more succe-sful than that of last year, and that the association will appoint connectent officers. The idea of having paid officials is a good one, and it would do sway with that constant protesting and wrangling."



BETS AT BRIGHTON TRACK.

RESULTS OF SYSTEM PLAYING AT THE LAST MEETING.

ow Odds, End Weather and Other Conditions That Stade the Meeting Unfavorable for Punicrs-Huns of Defeats of Paveriles-Record of the Systems at the Meeting. In the last article in regard to betting systems

was said with reference to Brighton Beach:

"It is more or less of a problem which awaits

punters of all types. For many years the most

advanced system players were content to omit

this meeting and take a vacation until the larger tracks began again. * * * It is a very 'spotty' meeting and one which requires the greatest care from almost all system players
and the wise player will look out for slumps in all systems and wait on the reaction In other words, whether playing straight first or second favorites or the bookmakers' favorite, wait until the heavier runs of losses appear and then play until the wins approach the percentage." This prediction has been fulfilled amply. Of course the weather had a great deal to de with the result, but the reasons on which the prediction was based have existed to a certain extent in all other years at this track. Entries were many, and the prospects in the early morning looked rosy, notwithstanding the patchy state of the track when it was not absolutely a quigmire; but by the time the bell rang the entries scattered like autumn leaves. The system players who faithfully followed instructions covered expenses or won, and in doing so they were very lucky. The percentage for the first five days was 30, 30, 42, 36, 42, and then it was fairly steady around 42 per cent. for the rest of the meeting, closing at 46 per cent., as against 43 per cent, in 1896. The figures at the close were due to the remarkable finish, with five wins in six races on the last day, which brought the percentage up from 44 to 46. In the 73 races 34 favorites won and 22 ran

second, of which 11 were at worse odds than

1-2 on for the place. In 1896 there were 19 second with 12 at worse than 1-2 on. Of the second favorites at the recent meeting 17 won and 16 ran into the place, of which 8 were at prohibitive place odds. The worst break occurred on July 21-22, when eight races were run with no second favorite for winning. In 1896 21 second favorites won and 22 ran second. This makes practically 70 per cent, of the first and second favorites to win, presenting a perfeet gold mine, a veritable Klondike-on paperfor the players of that system. When, he the facts are looked into it will be found that the poor odds rendered the bulk of the races unplayable. It was also noticeable that in several races where a horse opened at enything like a long shot a matter of \$50 in five-dollar bills placed around the ring would drop the price from 30-1 to 6-1, and that to place any amount of money except on the favorites at a ridiculous price was practically impossible. There was only one dead heat, Fireside-Bastlon for the place, July 19. The horses starting at prohibitive odds were five in number: July 12, Rubicon, 3-10; July 14, L'Allouette, 1-5; July 16, Estaca, 1-6; Belmar, 1-10; July 22, Damien, 1-5, and July 24, Rulicon, 1-4. In 1896 there were eight at similar prices. The long shots we enot so well represented as might be expected considering the state of the track and the upsets to be naturally looked for, but on July 14 Declare at 20-1, 2-1, was second; July 15, Scotch Plaid, 30-1, 10-1, won; July 20, Damien, 9-1, 2-1, won; July 22, Prompt, 30-1, 10-1, was thirl; Em. 30-1, 3-1, won, and Emotional, 30-1, 2-1, was second; July 23, Ella Daly, 60-1, 8-1, in a four-horse race, was third, and Passover, 5-1, 6-5, was second; July 24, Cassette, 12-1, 2-1, was second, Fixed Star, 20-1, 3-1, was second, and Rodman B. 20-1, no place odds in the three-horse race, was second. The odds on the winning favorites show a great and important decrease, the average paying ticket being 10-13 on, as against 17-18 on in 1896, this meaning that about 20 per cent, more capital was required on each bet to win the same amount as the ticket of last year would have called for. This is exactly what was foretold in the last article of this se

what was foretold in the last article of this series. This contraction of prices was largely due to the comparatively small fields, there being an average of a trifle less than six horses to a race, or a shrinkage of nearly 33 per cent from the meeting of 1896.

The Bookmaker's Favorite system again proved a success. It is played as follows: At the opening bettling take down the names of the horses the odds against which are 3-1 or less, and at post odds play the one which recedes to the longest figure, and pley it for the best position, win, place, or third, for which even money can be obtained. The initial bet can be made any amount, but the following table is calculated at \$10, with each succeeding bet after a loss to make up what is lost and also get \$10 ahead:

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10 Haphagard 5-9		10
25 T. Croinwell, 1, 2, 5-5.		25
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July 14- 10 Hen Eder, 13-5	59	10
30 Set Fast, 1, 2, 0-5	**	10
30 Juda, 1, 2, 5-2	75	21
10 Beaufort, 7-2		10
15 Ht Daddy, 1, 2, 7-5,	21	
July 15- 10 Thomas Cat, 1. 2, 6-5	12	
10 Come Qui k, 4-1, 7-5.		10
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10 Mr. Halter, 5-2	15	
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10 Michael II., 1, 2, 7-5,	14	
10 Manages, 3-1	86	
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is made of \$10, or whatever the desired stake may he, so an to clear expenses, panned out well, and, if played with due attention to the percent-age of winners recently scored, is a good system for occasional visitors. The results of winning and capital required were as follows: and capital required were as folio

July 12-510. Chum, 1, 2, 7-5.

July 13-10. Satvable, 2-1

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July 14-10. Bm Eder, 13-6.

15. Briar Hill, 1, 2, 8-5.

30. Set Fast, 1, 2, 6-5.

July 16-10. Thomas Cat, 1, 2, 5-5.

July 16-10. Thomas Cat, 1, 2, 5-5.

July 16-10. Rifle, 5-1.

10. Dema-cogue, 13-5.

50. Bran wune, 1, 2, 8-5.

July 17-10. Dame Quickly, 1, 2, 1-1.

20. Olney, 1, 2, 1-1.

35. Ar blan, 1, 2, 6-5.

uly 26-10. Sapelo, 8-5.

uly 22-10. Sir Play, 3-1.

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Totals.

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The capital required amounted to \$90 on July 14, and to \$95 on July 23. As the first two bets at the meeting were won, the gross winnings were practically made on a capital of \$51. The trouble with this system is that when a "rot" sets in at the first or second race it has to shoulder the same amount as if every race were played, and the winnings are generally much smaller. Played with a due attention to the percentage side of the question, it is a very satisfactory medium of speculation. But waiting play seems to be beyond most players at the Eastern tracks.

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The duplicate system was said to be the safest for this meeting, and this has proved to be the case, the total capital called for at this most discouraging meeting being only \$90. This is the system of waiting until a favorite wins and then playing the favorite for the next race, continuing to play favorites, until a loss occurs, with bets graded at \$10. \$15, \$25, \$40, \$75, \$150 \$200, the bet returning to \$10 after each win. This system at the recent spring meeting at Brighton Beach resulted as follows:



Was ever such a meeting seen for this system? In only seven solitary instances did more than one favorite win in succession, lesses of four favorites in succession occurring July 12, 13, and 15, with five in a run on July 19 and 20, and again four July 22, the olds against the winning tickets being 74 to 68. The cash won was \$102, with a maximum risk of \$90. On July 12 Winged Foot showed the way to four losers, and thus \$10 placed on Leedsville showed no fewer than eleht losing favorites. On July 17 Lehman was the undoubted favorite and was played as such. It is curious to note how bets had dragged up to this, followed by the run on July 19-20, when seven out of ten bets were won, winning \$74, the meeting closing with four straight wins, at 1-2, 7-10, 6-5, and 1-3.

And now for the jockeys. The record is as



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A-ROUND THE WHIST TABLE.

turned'and quitted it is liable to be called.)
"After it has been lawfully taken up it must not be nam d, and any player naming it or looking at the be nam-d, and any player naming it or looking at the trump slip or other record of the trump is liable to have the bighest or lowest trump called by his right-hand edversary at any time during the play of that deal before he plays to any current trick, or in case the offender gets the lead before the trick is turned or quitted. The call may be repeated until the card is placed, but it carnot be chanced."

4 Law "E " Add an additional paragraph, namely-'A player may ask his adversaries if they have any of the suit renounced, but the question establishes the revoke, if it happens that it is his partner who has renounced in error."

5. Add the following, namely: "Exposed cards."

"Only the right-hand adversary can call an expect the card; if he plays without calling it, the player having 11 the exposed card may play as he pleases. Should the latter get the lead, the exposed card can only be called before the trick is turned and quitted. The uneren cards of a hand faced upon the table are no liable to be called." "Enforcing penalties." "A player having the right

to call a suit will lose such ri ht unless he gives no-tice of his intention to do so before the trick is turned and quitted."

reminded by his partner to enforce it, except in case "A player, however, has the right to prevent his partner from committing any irregularity, except re-normalize in error."

The Committee on Laws was composed of P. J. Tormey, San Francisco, Chairman; Gustavus Remak, Jr., Philadelphia; Irving T. Hartz, Chicago: Robert H. Weems, Brooklyn; Cassius

M. Paine, Milwanker,
The foregoing need little or no comment, unless it is to say that they would all be a little better for grammatical revision. As No. 3 now reads, the trump card may be recorded on anything, but the play must begin on a slip of paper. See tion 5, relating to exposed cards, embodies the effect that the Cinch law covered the case, and was the only practical solution of the difficulties attending the calling of exposed cards. As section 5 now stands, it is almost a conv of the law on page 309 of "Foster's Hoyle," which THE SEN succested for adoption in the American Whist Code.

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President Barney took up this idea in his address to the seventh congress, and urged the whist players in this country to do something to bring practical results out of the enormous number of experiments when the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the place of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the place of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the place of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the place of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the place of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the place of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the blace of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the blace of the various clubs. The time has certainly arrived for practical analysis to take the blace of the various clubs. The time has players of the order of the various clubs. The time has players of the whist players of the whist players and are clubs. The time has the various clubs. The time has players of the whist players of the whist players of the time has and analysis to take the blace of the various clubs. The time has the various clubs. The time has the various clubs. The time has players of the whist players of the whist players of the various clubs. The time has the time has and urgard and the time has the time has the time has the time has the

able to arrive at some general principles of whist strategy which shall be based on facts, before which all theories will have to give way. COMMON-SENSE WHIST.

CHANGES SUGGESTED IN THE RULES

FOR DUPLICATE WHIST.

The Amendments Likely to the Peri Into Effect
in the Fall—Experiments to settle Problems is Whist Treates—Advantages of Common-Sense in Whist Historiced—Problems.
Several changes in the rules of duplicate whist
were suggested to the last congress by the Commiltee on Laws. The following were the principal amendments proposed, and they will probably be put in force in two or three months
shortly after the fall season opens:

1. Law "A." Amend paragraph 4 so as to read;
"Each side shall keep I's own score, and it is the duty
of the players at each table to compare the scores
there made and each that they correspond."

2. Law "A." Amend section So as to read; "In
a match between two teams the total number of tricks, taken exceeds such dividend wins the match
by the number of tricks in recess thereof."

3. Law "D." Amend so as to read; "The trump
card must be recorded on as to read; "The trump
card must be recorded on the top of his cards,
shall be divided by two, and the team whose score
of tricks taken exceed such dividend wins the match
by the number of tricks in recess thereof."

3. Law "D." Amend so as to read; "The trump
card must be recorded such record must
also be turned down.

When the deal has been played, the alip on which
the trump card has been otherwise recorded must be placed,
face upward, by the dealer on the top of his cards,
but the trump card must not be arrain turned unit
the bands are taken up for the purpose of overplaying them, at which time it must be turned and the
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A—B win eleven tricks.

A had explained to his partner before the match that he did not show number, either by American leads or courth-bests, so he knew that the fall of the six siter the lead of the seven would make it very clear that di monds was not his suit. A has the courage of his convictions, and will not spoil his chances of making something out of his spades, which he prob bly would do it he led away from the major tenare.

Trick 3. A is afraid that his parner may be leading trumps on the assumption that dimmonds is A's strong suit. In order to show him that such is not the case he returns the diamond instead of the trump. As A does not use the fourth-best leads it is easy for it to infer that A's suit is enythine but diamonds, and the he has no wish to have the trumps out, so B leads the lop of nothing from his own suit.

Trick 5. There seems to be no better lead for Y at this stage. His club access y be useful to bring in the diamonds.

Trick 6. The conditions of A's hand are now quite changed. He knows the spade suit. The discord at rick 8 shows that his suit is spades, and the rest is easy for B.

If Ab gins by occained the spade suit, according to the long stait the or, he loss a four or five tricks, according to whether he teachings of Cavendish and Pole:

TRICE A Y B Z

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B	3 4	40	104	K &
6	70	10	02	3 0
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8	010	04	♥ 5	50
9	OA	07	♥ 6	90
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11	46	& A	48	47
2	49	QO	4 2	& J
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A-B win six only, losing five.

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With no card of reducty except in the sult itself, it would be better for A to lead his small spade instead of the ace, but some people are so blind to the value of a tenace that they are glad to have one to lead away from and destroy.

At trick 8 Y's hand is just as good as it was as trick 4, so he continues the trump attack.

Had A opened with the small spade, Z would At trick 8 Y's hand is just as good as it was at trick 4, so he continues the trump attack.

Had A opened with the small spade, Z would have won the first trick, as Y was not a short-suiter and would not put on the jack second hand. Z would probably open clubs because the suit contains two honors. Y would return the club, and then lead his dismonds, following with a trump lead, as in the plac siven. With all the clubs and dismonds against him. A would hardly dare to take up the trump lead, and would probably continue the spade, forchis Y who would lead trumps again. After this, if would overtrump Y, which would give A — B seven tricks, one more thin they make by leading the are first, but still four less than Henriques makes by keeping quiet with his spade suit, and opering his weakers suit, even at the risk of temporarily decriving his partner.

That the Toledo players were not at all displeased with the way Henriques played his lards while he was on their one may be intered from this item in the Toledo Buyer.

"Characte A. Hanriques of N w work, the newly elected Recording Secretary of the A. W. L., who so kindly helped Toledo out in one contest for the challenge cup at the Bay lest work, was elected an honorary member of the Toledo Whist Club last Monday evening. The team went up a notch the evening he played with Mr. Beckham, His strength was felt by the three other mem'ers, and the confidence gained that evening helped them through the following hard mat hes."

OUR PROBLEMS.

other position at trick 5 in the per ention problem published in Tire Sen July 4, prorably because they are not accustomed to playing agrinatisher are not accustomed to playing agrinatisher suit tactics. Here is the position at trick 5, is it appears to W.

No has led a supporting diamond, holding but two cer is in the soil, as is crid at from his play of the lowest diamond at trick 4. Short-suit players always play work suits down, and if No had held three diamonds he would have kept the Suntil the next round. His partner, S. has "oucked" the first trick, showing the 1 he side not wish to open the game, but wanted to wan the second round of diculonds, and then to force on the third. The mere fact that S was willing to leave the attack to he adversarice shows that he was strong enough not to be affect.

E should have a certain resentry in one of the black suits to justify his lead of trumps from three only, as he is marked with the 3 remaining. No should have the trump king, for if 8 had held it, he would probably have stopped the trump lead at once in order to force his partner before all N's trumps were drawn.

In the actual play, W concluded that the king might be the only trump remaining in N's hand, and that he would have to use it to ruff the diamonds. Here is the actual play: TRICK. N E 8 W

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8	0 J	♡ 6	07	010
4	3 0	50	AO	10
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N and S w n ten tricks.

Comparatively Considered.

From the Somerville Journal. much pleasanter it is to awing in a line